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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8551**
Hidenori MIKAMIYAMA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006_0854A
Serial No. 10/583,796 : Group Art Unit 1624
Filed June 21, 2006 : Examiner Jeffrey H Murrery

HYDROXYPYRIMIDINONE DERIVATIVES
HAVING INHIBITORY ACTIVITY
AGAINST HIV INTEGRASE : **Mail Stop: Amendment**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of December 26, 2008, constituting a Requirement for Restriction among Groups I-XVII as defined on pages 2-5 of the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group III, i.e. the compound/composition of Formula I where X is represented by Formula 2(a) and ring C is a five-membered heterocyclic ring containing at least one nitrogen, and R¹ and R² do not form a heterocyclic ring.

Such compounds are exemplified by many of the working examples set forth in the present specification, such as Examples 1-20 and 23.

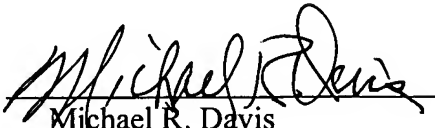
The claims which encompass the elected invention are claims 1-9 and 20-24.

Applicants emphasize that the foregoing election is made while reserving their rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter of Groups I, II and IV-XVII.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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